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REPORT OF VISIT TO "THE PLANT" BY
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY HOUSING DEPARTMENT

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No: 1043

25 July 1944

To VIKTOR⁽¹⁾.

[D^x Yesterday] two fellows came to see SHAH[Shakh]⁽¹¹⁾ at the PLANT [ZAVOD]⁽¹¹⁾ and said that in the capacity of representatives of the City Housing Department they were to inspect the PLANT building and the neighbouring house. In reply to SHAH's question about [E^x the purpose] [of the inspection] [a] the fellows said that they ~~did not have to make a report~~. SHAH managed to show them out but they hinted roughly that they might come back with people who would ensure them access. GRANDPAPA[DEDUSHKA]^(1v) [3 group unrecovered] [G^x in case of need] [4 group unrecovered] [8 groups unrecoverable] plausible excuse the necessity of checking the lift mechanism (it is very [C^x bad]). GRANDPAPA came to an agreement that he would send our architect to the Housing Department and he would inform [them] [a] about the lifts. With this the incident was closed, but it is difficult to doubt that the fellows

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Distribution

represented the KHATA[v].

BORIS[v1] has no special instructions on the circumstances in which he is to destroy the ciphers without reference to anyone and when it is permissible to use weapons. Please give some guidance.

No. 581.

In view of his having enciphered and sent off a telegram in the last 10 minutes before he left the point he was at and to his[B] having destroyed the originals GRIMM[vii] requests that its receipt be confirmed. The telegram was in three parts.

No. 583.

We have received letter number 4 addressed to SON[SYN][viii]. Please explain [3 groups unrecovered] and whether to send it at the first opportunity or should we obtain from GRANDPAPA the immediate despatch of a courier.

MAY[MAJ][ix]

No. 588

T.N: [a] Inserted by the translator.

Comments: [i] VIKTOR: Lt.-General P.M. FITIN.
 [ii] SHAKH: Konstantin Alekseevich CHABANOV, clerk
 at the Soviet Consulate-General, NEW YORK.
 [iii] ZAVOD: the Soviet Consulate-General in NEW YORK.
 [iv] DEDUSHKA: Evgenij Dmitrievich KISELEV, Soviet
 Consul-General in NEW YORK.
 [v] KHATA: the F.B.I.
 [vi] BORIS: the MGB cipher clerk in NEW YORK.
 possibly Aleksandr Pavlovich SAPRYGIN.
 [vii] GRIMM: probably Nikolaj Alekseevich GOLOVIN.
 [viii] SYN: not identified.
 [ix] MAJ: probably Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN.
